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certificate in this State, or to advertise as or assume the title of trained nurse or graduate nurse, or to use the abbreviation of "T.N." or "G.N.," or any other words, letters, or figures to indicate that the person using the same is a trained, registered, or graduate nurse.

8. Any person violating any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for the first offence, and not less than one hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each subsequent offence.

9. This act shall not be construed to affect or apply to the gratuitous nursing of the sick by friends or members of the family, and also it shall not apply to any person nursing the sick for hire but who does not in any way assume to be a registered or graduate nurse.

10. Any person who shall wilfully make any false representation to the Board of Examiners in applying for a license shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction be punished by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) nor more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).

11. The State Board of Examiners of graduate nurses shall have the power to revoke any certificate or license issued in accordance with this act by unanimous vote of said board for gross incompetency, dishonesty, habitual intemperance, or any act derogatory to the morals or standing of the profession of nursing, as may be determined by the board; but before any license or certificate shall be revoked the holder thereof shall be entitled to at least thirty days' notice of the charge against her or him, and of the time and place of hearing and determining of such charges, at which time and place she or he shall be entitled to be heard. Upon the revocation of any certificate or license, it shall be the duty of the secretary of the board to strike the name of the holder thereof from the roll of registered nurses.

12. This act shall be in force from its passage.

STATE OF MARYLAND

AN ACT

TO PROVIDE FOR STATE REGISTRATION OF NURSES

Signed by the Governor March 25, 1904

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That upon the taking effect of this Act, the Maryland State Association of Graduate Nurses shall nominate for examiners twelve (12) of its members who have had not less than five years' experience in their profession. These nominations shall be submitted to the Governor of the State, who shall from said number appoint, within sixty days, a Board of Examiners, to be composed of five (5) members. One of the members of this Board shall be designated by the Governor to hold office one year, two for two years, and two for three years; and hereafter, upon the expiration of the term of office of the person or persons so appointed, the Governor shall appoint a successor to each person or persons, to hold office for three years, from a list of five nominations submitted to him by the Maryland State Association of Graduate Nurses annually. All vacancies occurring on this Board shall be filled by the Governor in the same manner

from the list of nominations furnished him, or from a list of five to be furnished upon his request for additional names.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the members of this State Board of Examiners shall, as soon as organized, and annually thereafter in the month of June, elect from their members a President and a Secretary, who shall be the Treasurer. Three members of this Board shall constitute a quorum, and special meetings of the Board shall be called by the Secretary upon written request of any two members. The said Board of Examiners is authorized to frame such by-laws as may be necessary to govern its proceedings. The Secretary shall be required to keep a record of all meetings of the Board, including a register of the names of all nurses duly registered under this Act, which shall at all reasonable times be open to public scrutiny, and the Board shall cause the prosecution of all persons violating any of the provisions of this Act, and may incur necessary expenses on this behalf. The Secretary shall receive a salary to be fixed by the Board, not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per annum, also traveling and other expenses incurred in the discharge of her official duties. The other members of the Board shall receive five dollars (\$5.00) for each day actually engaged in this service, and all legitimate and necessary expenses. Said expenses and salaries shall be paid from fees received by the Board under the provision of this Act, and no part of salaries or other expenses of the Board shall be paid out of the State Treasury. All money received in excess of the said allowance and other expenses provided for, shall be held by the Treasurer for meeting the expenses of the said Board and the cost of annual reports of the Board.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That after June 1, 1906, it shall be the duty of said Board of Examiners to meet not less frequently than once in every year, notice of which meeting shall be given in the public press and in one nursing journal one month previous to the meeting. At this meeting it shall be their duty to examine all applicants for registration under this Act, to determine their fitness and ability to give efficient care of the sick. Upon filing application for examination and registration, each applicant shall deposit a fee of five dollars (\$5.00).

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the applicant shall furnish satisfactory evidence that he or she is twenty-three (23) years of age, is of good moral character, has received the equivalent of a high school education, and has graduated from a training-school connected with a general hospital where three years of training with a systematic course of instruction is given in the hospital, or has graduated from a training-school in connection with a hospital of good standing supplying a systematic three years' training corresponding to the above standards, which training may be obtained in two or more hospitals.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That all nurses graduating before June 1, 1906, possessing the above qualifications, shall be permitted to register without examination upon payment of registration fee. Nurses who shall show to the satisfaction of the Board of Examiners that they are graduates of training-schools connected with a general hospital or sanitarium giving two years' training or prior to the year 1897 having given one year's training, and who maintain in other respects proper standards, and are engaged in professional nursing at the date of the passage of this Act, or have been engaged in nursing five years after graduation, prior to the passage of this Act, also those who are

in training at the time of the passage of this Act, and shall graduate hereafter, and possess the above qualifications, shall be entitled to registration without examination, provided such application be made before June 1, 1906.

Graduates of training-schools in connection with special hospitals, giving a two years' course, who shall obtain one year's additional training in an approved general hospital, shall be eligible for registration without examination before June 1, 1906; or said graduates shall be eligible for registration prior to said date upon passing a special examination before the Board of Examiners in subjects not adequately taught in the training-schools from which they have been graduated.

And it shall be unlawful after the expiration of that time for any person to practice professional nursing as a registered nurse without a certificate in this State. A nurse who has received his or her certificate according to the provisions of this Act shall be styled and known as a "Registered Nurse." No other person shall assume such title or use the abbreviation R.N., or any other letters or figures to indicate that he or she is a registered nurse.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall not be construed to affect or apply to the gratuitous nursing of the sick by friends or members of the family, and also it shall not apply to any person nursing the sick for hire but who does not in any way assume to be a registered nurse.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That any person violating any of the provisions of this Act, or who shall willfully make any false representation to the Board of Examiners in applying for a certificate, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That the State Board of Examiners of graduate nurses may revoke any certificate for sufficient cause, but before this is done the holder of said certificate shall have thirty days' notice, and after a full and fair hearing of the charges made, by a majority vote of the whole Board, the certificate can be revoked.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

THE INDIANA BILL FOR THE STATE REGISTRATION OF NURSES

THE Barron House Bill, No. 15, signed by Governor Hanley, February 27, 1905:

"A BILL for an act requiring the registration of all trained nurses, providing a Board of Registration and Examination, fixing the number, duties, and qualifications of said board, and providing for the registration of nurses, providing penalties for violation of said act,

"SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana*, That upon the taking effect of this act the Governor shall appoint, within sixty days, a State Board of Registration and Examination of Nurses, to be composed of five members who have not had less than five-years' experience in their profession, exclusive of their training, and who shall not be connected with any hospital. One of these members shall be designated by the Governor to hold office for one year, two for two years, and two for three years, and thereafter, upon the expiration of